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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) TO REVIVE
AN UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED APPLICATION**

Dear Sirs:

Applicants submit this Petition to the Commissioner under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) to revive the above-identified application in which taking action was unintentionally delayed.

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The above-identified application became unintentionally abandoned after July 19, 2000, which was the date that a response to the April 19, 2000 Office Action was originally due. A Notice of Abandonment was subsequently mailed out on January 31, 2001. A copy of the January 31, 2001 Notice of Abandonment is attached as Exhibit A.

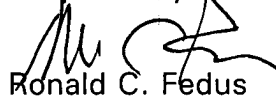
It is hereby requested that this application be revived because the delay in taking action was unintentional as was the delay in filing the response to the April 19, 2000 Office Action. That response in the form of an Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.115 is being submitted concurrently herewith and is attached as Exhibit B.

The small entity fee for filing this Petition is \$620.00. Small entity status was previously established in this application and is still applicable. The Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 05-1135 for the requisite small entity fee of \$620.00 set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(m). The Patent and Trademark Office is further authorized hereby to charge Deposit Account No. 05-1135 for any other fees required in connection with this Petition and the attached Amendment, or to credit any overpayment thereto.

A duplicate copy of this Petition but without attached Exhibits A and B is also submitted herewith.

Favorable action on this Petition is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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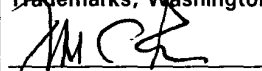
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